

Appendix A

**Agua Fria National Monument and
Bradshaw-Harquahala Planning Area
Planning Bulletins**

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Bradshaw-Harquahala Management Plan Revision

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What's In A Name?

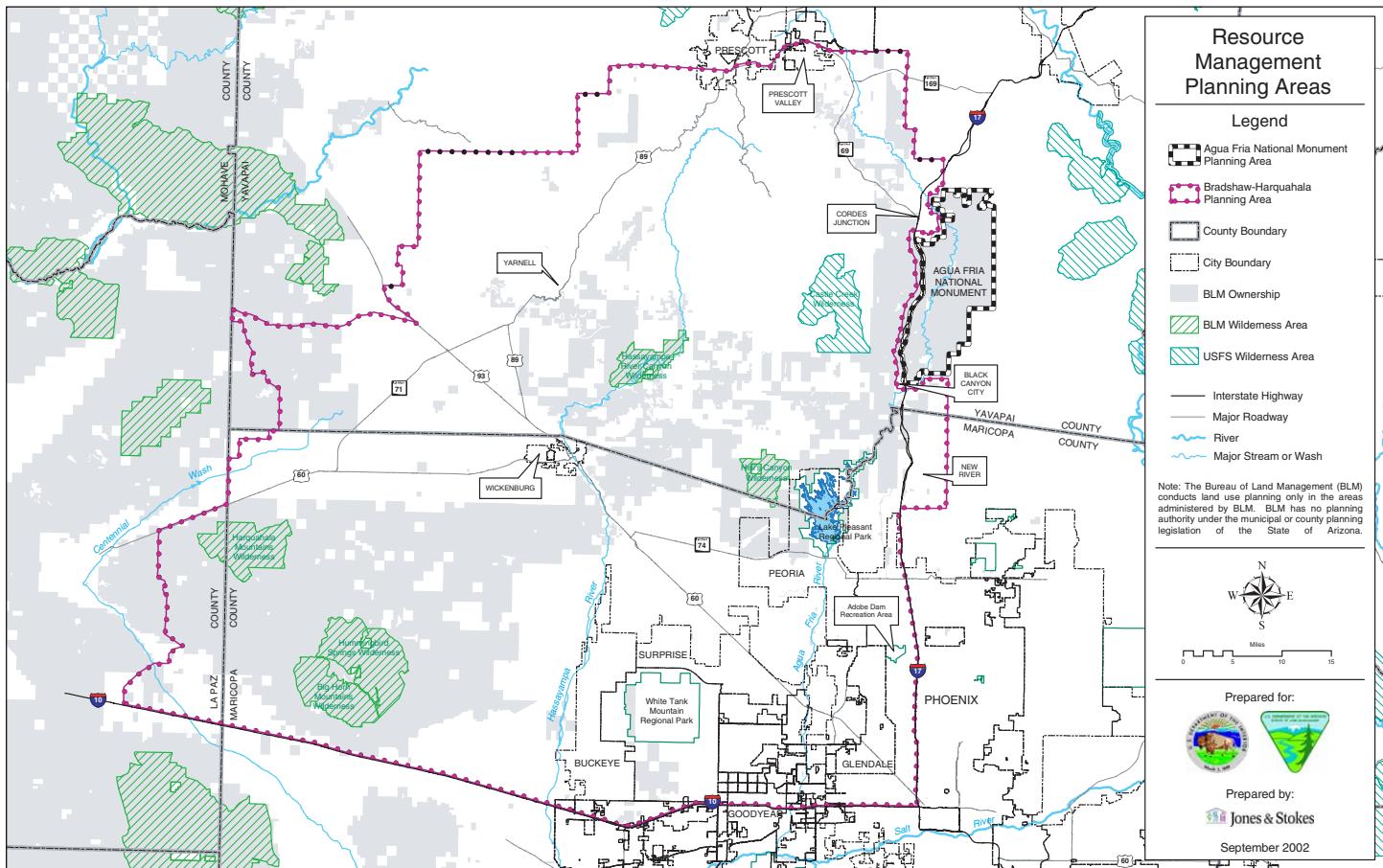
The two Planning Areas for this effort encompass over three million acres, requiring two separate planning efforts and one combined environmental impact statement (EIS). In order to initiate the planning, the areas have been identified as:

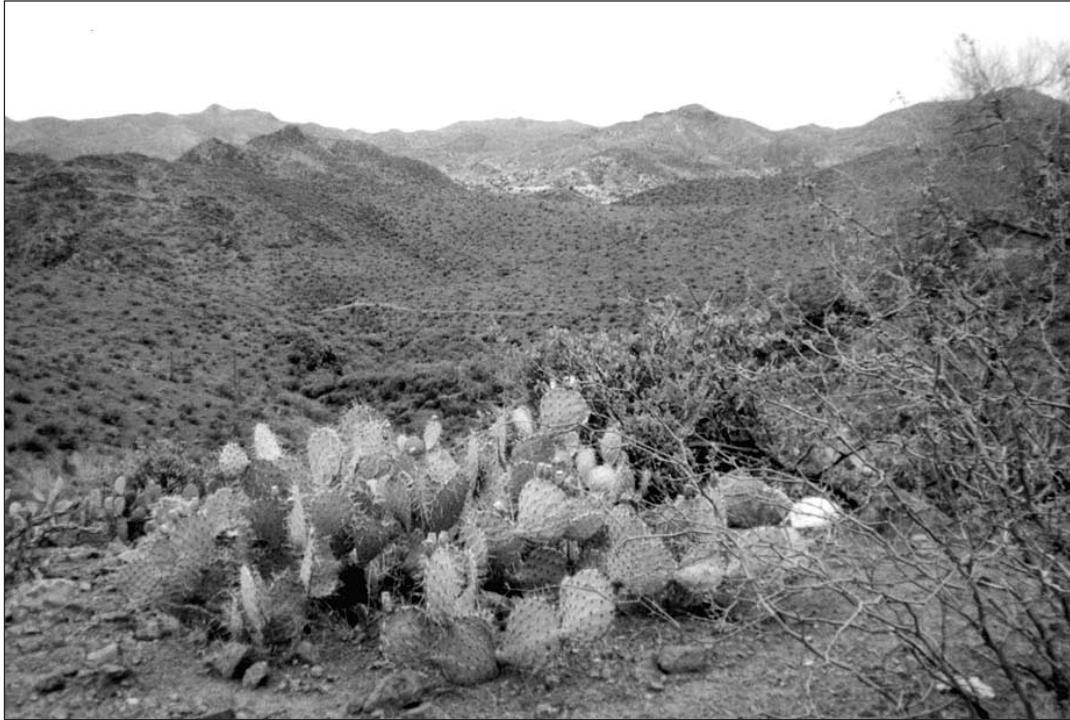
- The "Agua Fria National Monument Planning Area" which requires a separate plan as a result of its designation as a National Monument; and
- The "Bradshaw-Harquahala Planning Area" which is a plan update for the area north and west of the Phoenix metropolitan area.

These areas are identified in the map on this page. If you have suggestions for names for the planning areas that would be more appropriate and more descriptive, please let us know on the enclosed "Planning Worksheet" form, or call the BLM Phoenix Field Office at the number found on the back page of this Bulletin. Thanks for your interest and ideas!

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What is Being Done?

As part of the management planning process, an environmental impact statement (EIS) will be prepared. The EIS will assess possible environmental and social effects of different management alternatives for public lands within the two planning areas.

This bulletin is the first in a series that will tell you more about the planning process and how you can get involved. We hope that the following information will encourage you to participate in developing the future management strategies for these areas.

The enclosed Planning Worksheets are one way we will gather your ideas. Another is through a series of public meetings to be held on dates and locations listed on the back page of this bulletin. We strongly encourage you to attend! Most importantly, we want to hear from you. Thank you for helping us plan for the future of our important public lands.

Why are these Resource Management Plans Needed?

The Agua Fria National Monument was created on January 11, 2000, with the signing by the President of Proclamation 7263. The monument contains one of the most significant systems of late prehistoric sites in the American Southwest. In addition to its rich record of human history, the monument contains other objects of scientific interest, including a diversity of vegetation communities, a wide array of sensitive wildlife species, and native fish populations. The purpose of the monument designation is to protect these sensitive natural and cultural resources.

The proclamation designated more than 71,000 acres to be managed by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) for this purpose. Establishment of the national monument necessitates development of a Resource Management Plan (RMP).

The area in and around Phoenix has experienced significant population growth in recent years. Since 1990, Maricopa County's population has increased nearly 35 percent. During this same period, the City of Peoria has annexed more than 59,000 acres, including more than 16,000 acres of BLM administered land and the City of Phoenix has annexed more than 19,000 acres, including nearly 700 acres of BLM administered land. These are only two of the growing cities and towns expanding their borders toward and into the Bradshaw-Harquahala Planning Area. The increased pressure on public lands for recreation, rights-of-way, mineral rights, and other purposes resulting from population increases requires BLM to readdress its land use plan decisions.



Public Involvement in the Planning Process

BLM is committed to providing opportunities for the community to engage in meaningful participation in the resource management planning and environmental review process. Specifically, BLM will work closely with communities and interested citizen groups to identify management decisions best suited to the needs of the public. The basic approach of BLM's public participation process is to reach out to as many population groups as possible and to do so in an equitable and timely manner. Public participation is the only real way to identify the needs of a wide variety of citizens, the private sector, and interest groups. The BLM will also seek participation from tribal, state and local governments. In order to create a shared vision for the planning areas, BLM will use an interactive, dynamic process that will allow you to participate in developing alternative concepts or visions for managing public lands. One example of this innovative planning

process is the use of a geographic information system (GIS), which will combine available map data from Federal and State agencies, as well as private groups.. The data will be available to the general public, local and tribal governments, and educational institutions. The GIS will be used to graphically display alternative solutions and also overlay multiple concepts for review and discussion.

The planning team has held many informal meetings with communities in and near the planning area over the past couple of years. These discussions have resulted in a collaborative relationship with various community groups that BLM will continue to develop throughout the planning process. Future meetings will bring members of the public together to consider various land management scenarios for the planning area.

Scoping Meeting Schedule

In keeping with the requirements of federal law and regulation, BLM has developed a comprehensive "scoping" process. "Scoping" is a term from the National Environmental Policy Act that describes the process by which federal agencies make sure that any action has allowed for early and open public involvement. Scoping meetings will be held at the following locations, dates, and times:

Saturday, September 28

Flagstaff, 1-3 p.m.
Museum of Northern Arizona
Branigar/Chase Discovery Center
3101 North Fort Valley Road

Tuesday, October 1

Dewey-Humboldt-Spring Valley
7-9 p.m.
Mayer High School Gymnasium
17300 E. Muledeer Drive

Wednesday, October 2

Black Canyon City, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Black Canyon Community Center/
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19055 South K-Mine Road

Thursday, October 3

Yarnell, 1:30-5 p.m.
Senior Citizens Center
22302 South Highway 89

Saturday, October 5

Castle Hot Springs, 10 a.m.-noon.
Champie Schoolhouse

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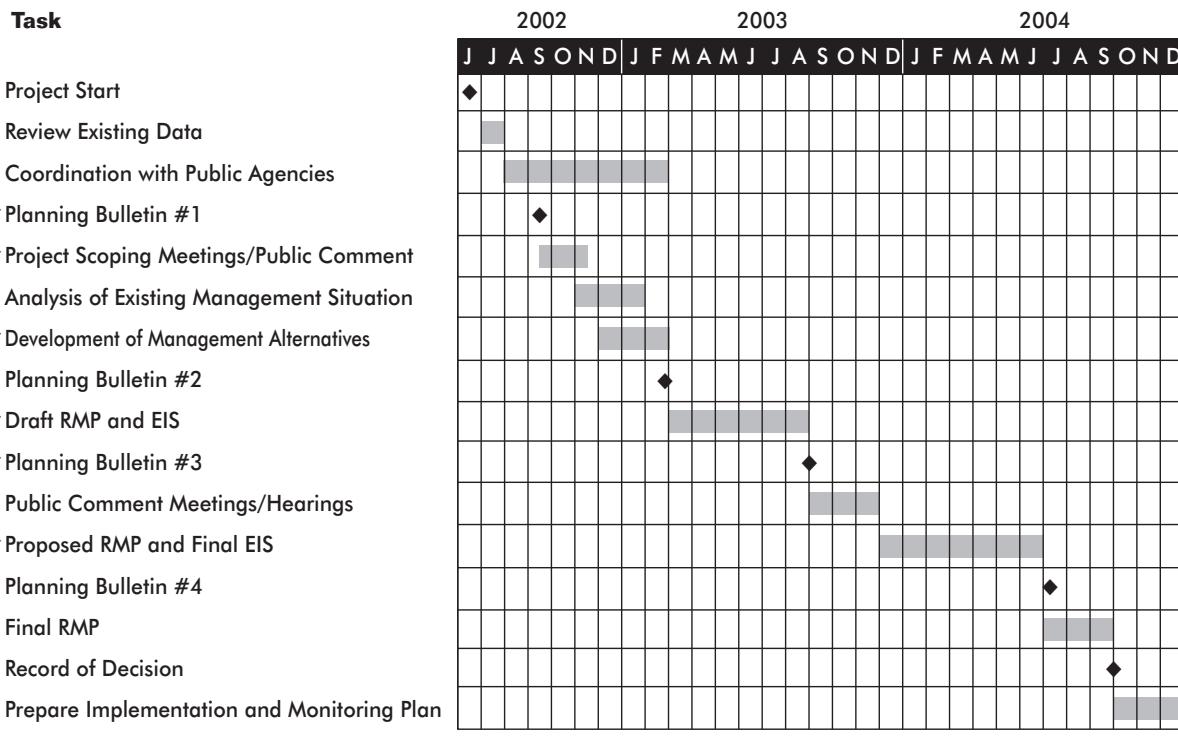


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Overall Project Schedule

The planning process is expected to take about three years and will follow the key steps listed below:

Schedule for Agua Fria National Monument Resource Management Plan (RMP) and Bradshaw-Harquahala RMP Revision and Combined Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)



♦ Indicates public information, review and comment opportunities

How You Can Remain Informed

If you have access to the Internet, you can follow the progress of the planning process on the BLM's Home Page (www.az.blm.gov). This site includes the text of the President's Proclamation establishing the National Monument, relevant documents for review, and provides information regarding upcoming public meetings.

While the planning team welcomes your comment and suggestions at all times, please remember that your input is particularly important in the early stages of the planning process when the team is developing the management options. Scoping comments will be accepted through November 15, 2002.

Thank you for your interest in this important process. We look forward to working with you. For further information, please contact:

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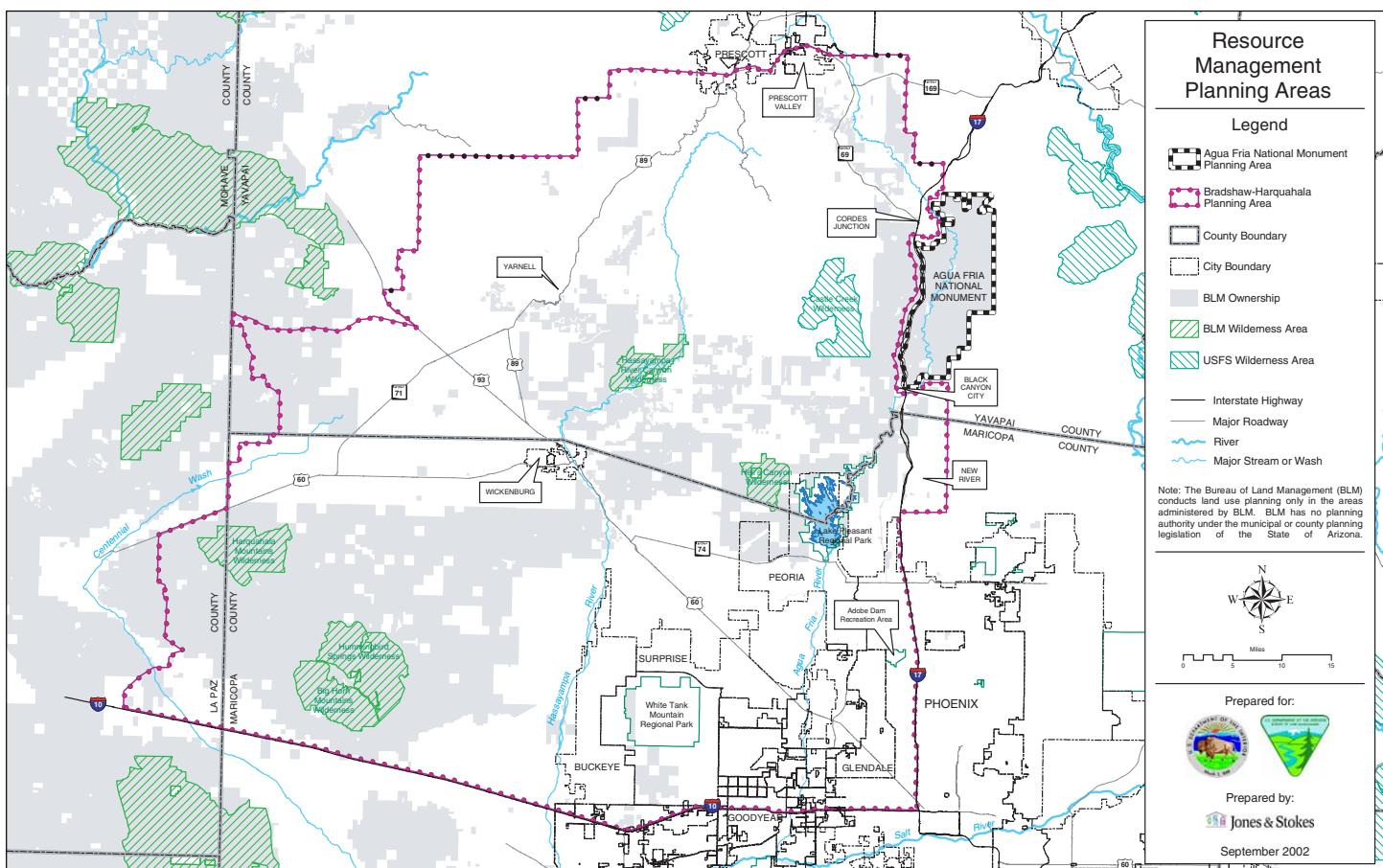
Las dos Zonas de Administración para este esfuerzo abarcan más de un millón de hectáreas (tres millones de acres) que requieren dos esfuerzos de planificación separados y una declaración de impacto ambiental combinada (EIS). A fin de comenzar la planificación, las zonas se han identificado como:

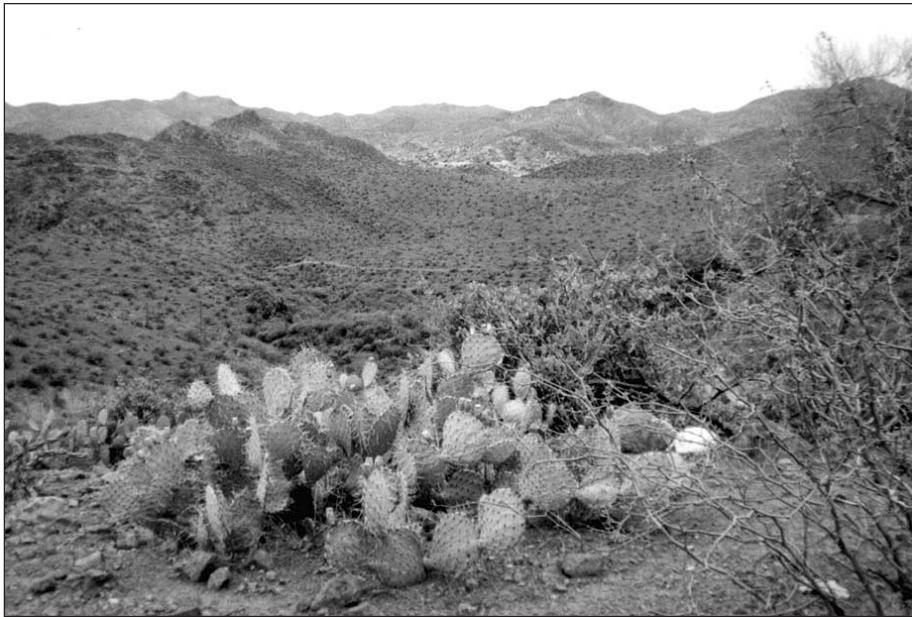
- “Zona de Planificación del Monumento Nacional Agua Fría”, que requiere un plan distinto a raíz de haber sido éste declarado monumento nacional; y
- “Zona de Planificación de Bradshaw-Harquahala”, que constituye una actualización del plan para las zonas ubicadas al norte y al oeste de la zona metropolitana de Phoenix

Estas zonas están identificadas en el mapa de esta página. Si tiene propuestas de nombres para las zonas de planificación que resulten más apropiados o descriptivos, envíelas en el formulario “Hoja de Trabajo de Planificación” que se adjunta, o llame a la Oficina de Campo de Phoenix de BLM (*BLM Phoenix Field Office*) al número de teléfono que figura en la última página de este boletín. Gracias por su interés e ideas.

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¿Qué se está haciendo?

Como parte del proceso de planificación de administración, se preparará una declaración de impacto ambiental (EIS). Esta declaración evaluará los posibles efectos ambientales y sociales de distintas alternativas de administración de los terrenos del dominio público dentro de ambas zonas de planificación.

Este boletín es el primero de una serie que le brindará más información sobre el proceso de planificación y cómo participar en él. Esperamos que la información que aparece a continuación lo aliente a participar en el desarrollo de futuras estrategias de administración para estas zonas.

Las Hojas de Trabajo de Planificación que se adjuntan constituyen una de las maneras en que podemos conocer sus ideas. Otra manera es una serie de reuniones públicas que se celebrarán en las fechas y lugares mencionadas en la última página de este boletín. Lo invitamos encarecidamente a concurrir y participar en estas reuniones. Y, lo que es más importante, nos gustaría tener noticias suyas. Gracias por ayudarnos a planificar el futuro de nuestros importantes terrenos de dominio público.

¿Por qué se necesitan estos planes de administración de recursos?

El Monumento Nacional Agua Fría se creó el 11 de enero de 2000, con la firma por parte del presidente de los Estados Unidos de la Proclamación 7263. El monumento contiene uno de los más importantes sistemas de sitios del período prehistórico tardío del suroeste del país. Además de su rico registro de la historia humana, el monumento contiene otros objetos de interés científico, entre los que se incluyen una gran variedad de comunidades de vegetación, una vasta serie de delicadas especies de fauna y flora y poblaciones de peces autóctonos. El propósito de la creación del monumento es la protección de estos delicados recursos naturales y culturales.

La proclamación determinó que más de 28.000 hectáreas (71.000 acres) sean administradas por la Oficina de Administración de Tierras (BLM) a tal efecto. El establecimiento del monumento nacional exige el desarrollo de un Plan de Administración de Recursos (RMP).

La zona de Phoenix ha experimentado un importante crecimiento en los últimos años. Desde 1990, la población del condado de Maricopa ha aumentado aproximadamente 35 por ciento. Durante este mismo período, la ciudad de Peoria ha anexado más de 23.000 hectáreas (59.000 acres), que incluyen más de 6.400 hectáreas (16.000 acres) de tierras administradas por BLM, mientras que la ciudad de Phoenix ha anexado más de 7.600 hectáreas (19.000 acres), incluidas aproximadamente 280 hectáreas (700 acres) de tierras administradas por BLM. Éstas son sólo dos de las ciudades y pueblos en crecimiento que extienden sus fronteras hasta el interior de la Zona de Planificación Bradshaw-Harquahala. El aumento de la presión sobre los terrenos de dominio público para su utilización como lugar de esparcimiento, reconocimiento de derechos de paso, derechos sobre el subsuelo y otros fines ocasionados por los aumentos de la población obligan  BLM a modificar las decisiones tomadas sobre su plan de utilización de tierras.



Participación del público en el proceso de planificación

BLM se compromete a brindar oportunidades a fin de que la comunidad participe de manera significativa en la planificación de la administración de los recursos y en el proceso de estudio ambiental. En concreto, BLM trabajará en estrecha relación con las comunidades y los grupos de ciudadanos interesados en la identificación de decisiones sobre administración más adecuadas para las necesidades del público. El enfoque básico del proceso de participación del público de BLM es llegar a tantos grupos de la población como sea posible y hacerlo de manera oportuna y equitativa. La participación del público es la única manera real de identificar las necesidades de una amplia variedad de ciudadanos, el sector privado y los grupos de interés. BLM también alentará la participación de los gobiernos tribales, municipales y estatales. A fin de crear una visión compartida para las zonas de planificación, BLM utilizará un proceso interactivo y dinámico que permitirá la participación en el desarrollo de conceptos o visiones alternativas para la administración de los terrenos del dominio público. Un ejemplo

de este proceso de planificación innovador es la utilización del sistema de información geográfica (GIS), el cual combinará datos de mapas disponibles de organismos federales y estatales, además de los grupos privados. El público general, los gobiernos municipales y tribales y los establecimientos educativos tendrán acceso a estos datos. El GIS será utilizado para visualizar gráficamente soluciones alternativas y también comparar distintos conceptos para su estudio y debate.

Durante los dos últimos años, el equipo de planificación ha celebrado muchas reuniones informales con comunidades de la zona de planificación y sus aledaños. Estos debates han tenido como resultado una relación de colaboración con varios grupos comunitarios que BLM continuará desarrollando a través del proceso de planificación. Futuros encuentros permitirán la reunión de los miembros del público para considerar diversos panoramas de administración de tierras para la zona de planificación.

Programa de reuniones de posibilidades

De acuerdo con los requisitos de las leyes y los reglamentos federales, BLM ha desarrollado un proceso de posibilidades (“scoping”) integral. Este término usado en la *National Environmental Policy Act* (Ley de Política Ambiental Nacional) describe el proceso por el cual las agencias federales se aseguran de que toda acción permita una rápida y abierta participación pública. Las reuniones sobre posibilidades se celebrarán en los lugares, fechas y horarios que se detallan a continuación:

Sábado 28 de septiembre

Flagstaff, 1-3 p.m.
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Martes 1 de octubre

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Sábado 5 de octubre

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mediodía.
Champie Schoolhouse

Lunes 7 de octubre

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Yavapai College
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Miércoles 16 de octubre

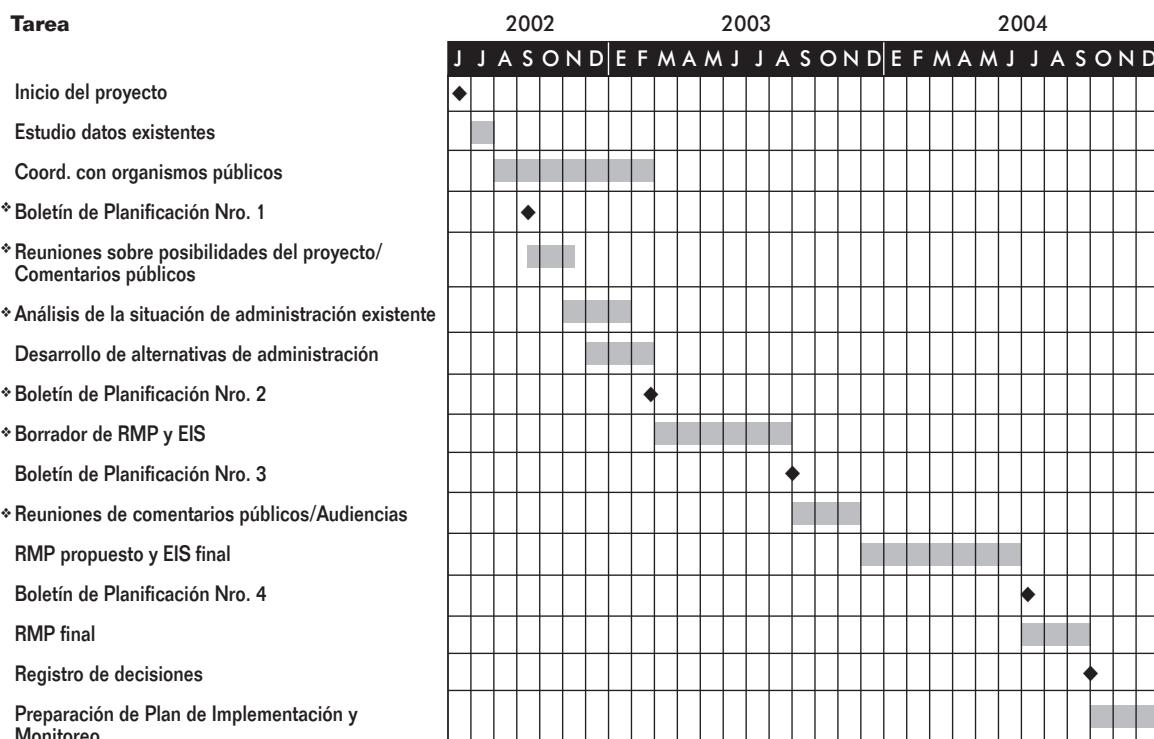
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Programa del proyecto general

Se calcula que el proceso de planificación durará aproximadamente tres años y seguirá los pasos clave que figuran a continuación:

Programa para el Plan de Administración de Recursos del Monumento Nacional Agua Fría (RMP) y Revisión de RMP de Bradshaw-Harquahala y Declaración del Impacto Ambiental Combinada (EIS)



♦ Indica oportunidades para información pública, estudio y comentarios

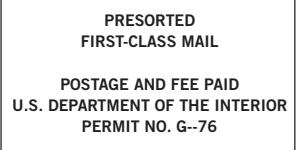
Cómo mantenerse informado

Si tiene acceso a Internet, puede seguir la evolución del proceso de planificación en la página inicial de BLM (www.az.blm.gov). Este sitio incluye el texto de la Proclamación del presidente que establece el monumento nacional, distintos documentos para su estudio e información sobre la celebración de futuras reuniones.

Aunque el equipo de planificación se complace en recibir sus comentarios y sugerencias en todo momento, recuerde que su aporte es particularmente importante en las primeras etapas del proceso de planificación, cuando el equipo desarrolla las opciones de administración. Los comentarios sobre posibilidades se aceptarán hasta el 15 de noviembre de 2002.

Gracias por su interés en este importante proceso. Esperamos que pronto podamos trabajar con usted. Si desea más información, póngase en contacto con:

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Appendix B

**Flyers Announcing Agua Fria National Monument
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Scoping Meetings**



Agua Fria National Monument Plan &
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PUBLIC MEETINGS

MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD!

The Bureau of Land Management's Phoenix Field Office (BLM) is planning ten public "scoping meetings" to describe the resource management planning process underway for the Agua Fria National Monument and the Bradshaw Foothills-Harquahala area and to invite attendees to provide relevant questions and comments, either orally or in writing, regarding the possible environmental and social effects of different management alternatives for the federal lands within the two planning areas. The issues raised at these meetings and those issues provided to BLM during the comment period, which closes November 15, 2002, will be evaluated in an environmental impact statement (EIS) for the proposed Agua Fria National Monument management plan and Bradshaw Foothills-Harquahala Plan revision.

"Scoping" is a term from the National Environmental Policy Act that describes the process by which federal agencies make sure that any action has allowed for early and open public involvement. Scoping meetings will be held at the following locations, dates, and times:

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Saturday, September 28, 1–3 p.m.
- ◆ **Dewey-Humboldt-Spring Valley:**
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- ◆ **Black Canyon City:** Black Canyon Community
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19055 South K-Mine Road, Black Canyon City –
Wednesday, October 2, 6:30–8:30 p.m.
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Reuniones Públicas

Haz Que Se Oye Tu Voz

La oficina de Phoenix del *Bureau of Land Management* (BLM) está planeando diez “reuniones públicas de scoping” para informar al público sobre el proceso de manejar recursos en la zona del *Agua Fria National Monument* y la zona del *Bradshaw Foothills-Harquahala*. Los invitados tendrán la oportunidad de presentar preguntas y comentario pertinente sobre cómo los alternativos de manejo de recursos dentro de la zona federal de *Agua Fria National Monument* y *Bradshaw Foothills-Harquahala* puedan afectar al medio ambiente, y sobre los efectos sociales que puedan tener. Se puede presentar comentario por boca or por escrito. Los temas que se presentan durante las reuniones y los que se presentan al BLM durante el tiempo de comentario del público, lo cual se terminará el 15 de Noviembre 2002, serán evaluados en un informe (*Environmental Impact Statement [EIS]*). El EIS tratará del plan de manejo de recursos del *Agua Fria National Monument* y de la revisión del plan de manejo de recursos del *Bradshaw Foothills-Harquahala*.

“Scoping”, una palabra de la ley nacional *National Environmental Policy Act*, describe el proceso por lo cual las agencias federales aseguran que para cualquier hecho que pueda afectar al medio ambiente se ha permitido la participación del público. Las reuniones públicas de scoping serán dirigidas en los siguientes locales, a las fechas y horas indicadas.

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Appendix C

**Press Release Announcing Agua Fria National
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

September 6, 2002

Bureau of Land Management, Phoenix Field Office To Sponsor Public Scoping Meetings on Agua Fria National Monument Resource Management Plan and Plan Revision for the Bradshaw Foothills-Harquahala Planning Area

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- ♦ **Prescott-Prescott Valley-Chino Valley:** Yavapai College Performance Hall, Yavapai College, 1100 East Sheldon Street, Prescott - Monday, October 14, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
- ♦ **Peoria:** Peoria Community Center, 8335 West Jefferson, (2 blocks south of Peoria Avenue on 83rd), Peoria - Wednesday, October 16, 7-9 p.m.

During the summer and early fall of 2002, BLM held numerous informal community meetings to begin discussing the RMP planning process and to determine appropriate locations for the upcoming scoping meetings. Based on the feedback provided during these discussions, BLM has designed the upcoming scoping meetings to include an overview of the need for the project, the planning process, and the anticipated timeline. Most importantly, the meetings provide the public an opportunity to inform BLM of what issues and concerns need to be addressed in the EIS. Based on the input received, BLM will develop a range of potential management alternatives.

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Appendix D

GIS Data Provided by BLM Phoenix Field Office

Table D-1. Existing Data Provided by BLM Phoenix Field Office

Theme Category	Theme Description
Base data	County boundaries
Base data	Field Office boundaries
Base data	Indian reservation boundaries
Base data	National Park/Monument boundaries
Base data	State boundaries
Base data	Town locations
Base data	USFS boundaries
Geology	Surface geology
Geology	Fault lines
Geology	Mineral Potential
Hydrography	Hydrography - line (streams)
Hydrography	Hydrography - point (springs)
Hydrography	Hydrography - polygon (lakes)
Hydrography	Riparian Inventory
Hydrography	Hydrologic Units - 4th order
PLSS	Sections
PLSS	Townships
Soils	Soils (SSURGO)
Transportation	Interstates
Vegetation	Vegetation
ACEC	ACECs
Base data	Geographic place names
Fire	Prescribed Burn Blocks
Fire	Fire management polygons
Fire	NFFL Fuel Models
Lands	Land status – surface
Lands	Potential Land Disposals
PLSS	GCDB
Range	Grazing allotments
Range	Range improvement points
Range	Wild burro management areas
Recreation	Off highway designation areas
Recreation	Recreation facilities (developed sites)
Recreation	Recreation trails
Recreation	VRM classes
Recreation	Wild and scenic river recommendations
Wilderness	Wilderness Areas
Wildlife	Bighorn Sheep Habitat
Special status species	Desert tortoise habitat
Hydrography	Central Arizona Project
Hydrography	Central Arizona Project Canal
Hydrography	Precipitation
Geology	Arizona Mines
Vegetation	GF (?) Vegetation
Vegetation	Native Vegetation
Base data	Index to the 1:24,000 USGS quad topo sheets
Wilderness	Wild BLM lands (?)

Table D-1. Existing Data Provided by BLM Phoenix Field Office (cont'd)

Theme Category	Theme Description
Wilderness	Wild Forest Service lands (?)
Wilderness	Wild Fish and Wildlife Service lands (?)
Wilderness	Wild National Park Service lands (?)
Transportation	Streets
Recreation	Black Canyon Trail corridor
Range	Pasture
Utility	AFNM utilities
Utility	Utility corridors
Utility	Communication sites
Base data	1:100,000 USGS quad topo sheets. 12 files.
Base data	1:250,000 USGS quad topo sheets. 4 files.
Base data	90 meter hillshade, Bradshaw
Base data	90 meter digital elevation model, Bradshaw
Base data	Clipped 30 meter hillshade, Bradshaw
Base data	Clipped 30 meter digital elevation model, Bradshaw
Base data	Wilderness inventory; Road and route inventory on potential wilderness areas.
Transportation	Land designated as future open space in Maricopa County
Lands	PFC assessment
Hydrography	Mineral districts
Geology	Mine sites
Geology	Federally controlled minerals
Base data	1:24,000 USGS quad topo sheets. 196 files.
Transportation	State and Federal Highways
Transportation	County connectors & major streets
Transportation	City streets and country roads
Transportation	Jeep trails
Transportation	Interchanges and overpasses
Transportation	trails
Transportation	railroads

Table D-2. Missing or Incomplete Data Sets Provided by BLM Phoenix Field Office

Data Sets Required	Is the data set in PFO GIS? If so, is it adequate as is?
Maps of split estate location - accurate surface and mineral ownership	Surface ownership in GIS at 1:100,000 scale. May not be adequate for this plan. No subsurface ownership
In-stream flow hydrology study	No
Water source inventory	No
Grazing Standard and Guideline evaluations	No
Wilderness inventory	No
Visual Resource Management (VRM) inventory	Currently under development
Ecological Site Inventory (ESI) ESI	No
Cultural resource inventory - Primarily focused on areas of high risk and high probability of site occurrence	No
Travel/Access route inventory	Yes - incomplete, some additional data will need to be collected for the plan in Summer 2002 (Skull Valley)
Range improvement inventory	Partial inventory - Accuracy only verified on some allotments
Water rights inventory	Some - DWR database. May be incomplete
Assessment of current and future needs for transportation and utility corridors	No
Assessment of current and future comm. site needs	No
Noxious weed inventory	Partial SWEMP database
Soil Survey - Order 3 inventory	No
Recreation Opportunity Spectrum (ROS) inventory	Currently under development
Update Perry Mesa vandalism study. Compile vandalism reports submitted by site stewards and others	No
Community Partnerships	No
Planning by other govt. agencies and corporations (APS, SRP, ADOT, Arizona State Lands, Arizona State Parks, Counties, Cities, Tonto NF, Prescott NF, etc.)	No
Ethnohistoric studies	No
Historic Resources overview of the Bradshaws	No
Update Mineral Potential maps	No

Table D-2. Missing or Incomplete Data Sets Provided by BLM Phoenix Field Office
(cont'd)

Data Sets Required	Is the data set in PFO GIS? If so, is it adequate as is?
Visitor use statistics	No
Mineral occurrence maps indicating: 1. Inactive - past production 2. Active - mining presently 2. Reserves - potential future development	No
Historic fire occurrence	Yes - but data is incomplete and not very accurate
Location of existing mineral leases, permits, and claims.	No
Water quality inventory	Some - ADEQ limited waters
Database of Known Occupancies with information on hazmat	No
Dump inventory	No
Mineral occurrence maps - sand & gravel and landscape material	No
Metadata collection for existing and new data	No
Ethnographic Research	No
Compile & digitize mineral index maps	No
Data analysis - geologic & mineral assessments	No
Geologic maps	Yes, but at 1:1,000,000 - Not adequate for this plan
Fire effects	No
Information from communities on possible future R&PP needs/desires	No
Locations for existing campgrounds, trail heads, trails, and other developments appropriate to retain and segregate from mineral development	Yes - may be incomplete
Threatened, Endangered, and Special Status Species habitat inventory	Received from AGFD
Taylor Grazing Act lands	Some - surface ownership available
Number and locations of current Special Recreation Permits (SRP), Visitor Statistics from current SRPs	Some - some Commercial permits are digitized. Incomplete coverage.
Wildlife species distribution maps	No
Abandoned Mine inventory	Received from ASMI
Current wildlife habitat condition	No
Oral history interviews	No
Paleontological Resource Inventory	No
Update AZSite database	Northland currently developing

Table D-2. Missing or Incomplete Data Sets Provided by BLM Phoenix Field Office
(cont'd)

Data Sets Required	Is the data set in PFO GIS? If so, is it adequate as is?
Maps showing preferred areas for Mineral Material development	No
Update Hazmat Database	No
Data on low income and minority communities (new census data)	Available from Census Bureau
Mineral Material demand projections from county & city planners	No
Native/exotic fish inventory - Fish species distribution inventory	Received from AGFDOHV
Law enforcement agency partnerships	No
Analysis of roads and proximity to significant cultural sites. Analysis of proximity of all sensitive resources (T&E or SSS habitat, hazmat or other safety risks, etc.) to roads.	Some - Roads and routes data being acquired now. Some of the sensitive sites may be in GIS, others not and may be noted in this table.
Review existing documentation and determine abandoned mines at highest risk as hazards to public or for hazmat.	Yes - though may be incomplete
ADEQ Air and Water Quality Standards	No
Maricopa County Eye to the Future 2020" open space report	No
Mule deer, pronghorn, & elk distribution and population inventories	No
Desert tortoise distribution inventory	Yes - data satisfactory as is.
Riparian inventory/PFC assessment	Yes - data complete
Cultural Sites	Not yet received
Range improvement polygons/lines	Not yet received
OHV Routes	Not yet received
Bighorn Sheep Habitat	Not yet received
NFDRS Fuel Models	Not yet received

Appendix E

Tabulations of Comments Received

Table ES-2. Bradshaw-Harquahala Planning Area

Issue	Sub-Issue/Comment	Total Count
Land Tenure	Remove land from the disposal list	496
	Stop urban sprawl/No new development	133
	Restrict development to prevent depletion of groundwater	62
	Lands should be managed to preserve cultural and biological resources	38
General Recreation	Allow for recreational use	62
	Designated open space and trails should be marked/posted as such	17
	Establish educational programs for all users of public lands	17
	Develop multiple use areas	13
	Trails should be better maintained to encourage users to stay on trails	12
Off-Highway Vehicles	Maintain and allow OHV usage on existing trails	66
	Restrict and limit OHV usage on BLM lands	52
	Establish (or enforce where appropriate) rules for use of OHVs	44
	Establish educational program for OHV users	38
	Use volunteer help from OHV-affiliated groups	32
Transportation Network	Maintain public access	72
	Designations should also be made for primitive areas & motorized areas	49
	Close and rehabilitate all vehicle routes that threaten cultural and biological resources	27
	Create environmentally sensitive transportation system	21
	Allow public access for nonmotorized modes only	16
Law Enforcement	Increase law enforcement efforts	40
	Increase preventative measures for vandalism	10
Visual Resource Management	Land should be preserved and remain untouched	85
	Preserve natural beauty	34
Grazing	Continue leases for grazing	35
	Limit grazing	28
	Evaluate grazing impacts	27
Riparian Resources	Restrict access by livestock	12
	Maintain waters for livestock	3
	Protect the instream flow of the Agua Fria River	4
Cultural and Paleontological Resources	Increase protection of existing sites and cultural artifacts	78
	Prevent grazing in areas having significant cultural resources	7
	Conduct cultural resource inventories	5
	Remedy archeological looting	5
	Allow only limited access to existing sites, such as through guided tours	4
Wilderness Study Areas	Expand wilderness designations	28
	Conduct wilderness inventories	8
	Reduce amount of wilderness designation	2
Mineral	Reduce and limit mining activities	17
	Continue existing mining leases	14
	Expand mining activities	5
General Wildlife and Fisheries Management	Preserve habitat for birdwatching/wildlife viewing	18
	Maintain waters for wildlife	7
	Reintroduce native fish species to aquatic systems in the area	2
Hazardous Materials / Solid Waste	Increase preventative measures for litter/dumping	26
Fire Management	Return natural fire cycles	9
	Debris and brush clearing programs need to be expanded	5
	Return natural fire regime to mesa tops	3
Soils, Water, and Air	Conduct hydrological studies of watershed	3
	Restrict access to surface water from OHV users	2
	Restrict access to surface water from miners	1

Table ES-3. Agua Fria National Monument Planning Area

Issue	Sub-Issue/Comment	Total Count
General Recreation	Allow for recreational use	23
	Establish educational programs for all users of public lands	17
	Restrict shooting	11
	Trails should be better maintained to encourage users to stay on trails	11
	Build visitor center	9
	Joint BLM/community land stewardship programs should be enacted	8
Off-Highway Vehicles	Restrict and limit use	68
	Establish rules (and enforce where appropriate) for use of OHVs	35
	Establish educational program for OHV users	35
	Maintain and allow usage on existing trails	32
	Develop additional trails	28
Transportation Network	Create environmentally sensitive transportation system	76
	Close and rehabilitate all vehicle routes that threaten cultural and biological resources	56
	Designations should also be made for primitive areas & motorized areas	34
	Maintain public access	29
	Limit access to discourage extensive use	27
Law Enforcement	Allow public access for nonmotorized modes only	20
	Increase law enforcement efforts	34
Wilderness Study Areas	Increase preventative measures for vandalism	7
	Expand wilderness designations	99
	Expand Agua Fria to include New River and Tonto National Forest	41
ACECs	Conduct wilderness inventories	22
	Agua Fria River should be designated Area of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC)	4
Wild and Scenic Rivers	Manage Agua Fria River as Wild & Scenic	90
Land Tenure	Stop urban sprawl/No new development	85
	Lands should be managed to preserve cultural and biological resources	55
	Restrict development to prevent depletion of groundwater	19
	Adjacent landowners should be better informed by BLM of pending changes	5
Grazing	Evaluate grazing impacts	44
	Limit grazing	39
	Continue leases for grazing	16
	Reduce grazing fees	1
Riparian Resources	Protect the instream flow of the Agua Fria River	55
	Restrict access by livestock	27
Cultural and Paleontological Resources	Increase protection of existing sites and cultural artifacts	105
	Prevent grazing in areas having significant cultural resources	22
	Conduct cultural resource inventories	14
	Allow only limited access to existing sites, such as through guided tours	12
	Establish/increase programs to educate public on cultural resource issues	7
Visual Resource Management	Land should be preserved and remain untouched	86
	Preserve natural beauty	24
Fire Management	Return natural fire regime to mesa tops	27
	Return natural fire cycles	21
	Debris and brush clearing programs need to be expanded	2
General Wildlife and Fisheries Management	Preserve habitat for birdwatching/wildlife viewing	16
	Maintain waters for wildlife	14
	Reintroduce native fish species to aquatic systems in the area	3
Mineral Rights	Reduce and limit mining activities	17
	Continue existing mining leases	4
	Expand mining activities	4
Hazardous Materials / Solid Waste	Increase preventative measures for litter/dumping	17
Soils, Water, and Air	Conduct hydrological studies of watershed	2
	Restrict access to surface water from miners	1
	Restrict access to surface water from OHV users	1